

MINUTES

ANNUAL MEETING OF THE CEDAR VALLEY DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM

A meeting was held February 5, 1969 in the Fish and Game building, Cedar City, Utah. Mr. Donald C. Norseth, Division Engineer, called the meeting to order. He introduced the state members to the water users then explained the purpose of the meeting.

Thelmer Stratton was asked to read the minutes of the last annual meeting. They were read and approved.

THE FINANCIAL REPORT

John Bene, Deputy State Engineer was asked to give the financial statement. He explained the accounting and as to one page of unpaid accounts he stated, we have given these reports to the Attorney General, Mr. Romney, and he has assured us he will make the collections. The total is \$436.58 delinquent.

Lewis Webster made a motion we approve the financial report. It was seconded by Rulon Wood and approved by those present.

Gerald W. Stoker, Area Engineer, was asked to report on the underground in Cedar Valley. He explained that Cedar Valley was closed to appropriations approximately June of 1966 and Hubert Lambert had put a final proof due date on pending applications as of December 31st, 1968. He said the State Engineer would prefer to have some of the rights in the heavily pumped area moved to the perimeter of the valley.

Lorenzo Luke was not present so John Beal made a motion that Donald C. Norseth continue with the meeting until Mr. Luke comes. George Grimshaw seconded the motion and it was approved.

SETTING UP THE BUDGET

There was a discussion on the budget. John Beal made a motion we set the budget the same as last year. Ivan Matheson seconded the motion and it was approved. John Beal moved we set the budget at \$3800.00 for 1969. Max Heap seconded the motion and it was approved.

After some discussion on the surplus held over in the budget, Lehi Jones made a motion to set the assessment at \$3500.00. George Grimshaw seconded the motion and it was approved.

THE WATER COMMISSIONER REPORT

Clement Adams and Lorenzo Luke had a misunderstanding as to the place of the meeting so they came late. Mr. Norseth ask Clement to read his report. The material is found in the 1968 Water Commissioner report to the State Engineer.

RECOMMENDATIONS

The Water Commissioner made three recommendations.
No. 1. Old Fort and Old Field Irrigation Company install a large wheel on their inlet gate.

No. 2. North Field, East Extension, Union Field, and Bulldog Field install a large wheel on their north sluice gate if they wish the commissioner to use it.

No. 3. Purchase a duplicating machine to print the annual report, such as a Thurmafax Secretary for \$389.00 or some other.

He stated he could not get together with the record at the U.S.G.S. station so he had to set up his own determination on the total flow of the creek at 27,000 acre-feet in comparison to an average of 16,000 acre-feet. The pumpers pumped 23,000 acre-feet.

He explained recent snow storms have left a good pack of snow on the mountain which may come fast during a warm period. There may be more debris so get headgates ready for the flow and they may clog with timber and other debris.

Clement resigned and said he would continue if the group would approve his recommendations so he could do his work. He handed out 21 reports and explained it took the typist 50 hours at \$1.50 per hour to type the reports.

Richard T. Harris made a motion to purchase the duplicating machine from the reserve in the budget. J. S. Prestwich seconded the motion and it was approved.

RECOMMENDING A WATER COMMISSIONER

J. S. Prestwich made a motion we recommend Clement Adams for Water Commissioner. George Grimshaw seconded the motion and it was unanimous.

Donald Norseth said, We will accept the recommendation of Clement Adams and appoint him for Water Commissioner.

THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE TO COORDINATE WITH THE STATE ENGINEER

Lewis Webster made a motion to retain the same committee for another year. Ivan Matheson seconded the motion and it was unanimous.

Thurman Higbee inquired as to what had been done to check the underground water. Gerald Stoker stated there would be a

report some time this next April or May. Ivan Matheson said the water table was one foot lower.

Lewis Webster explained that some permits had been moved into the Old Cedar Valley area where wells were closed and he wanted to know why other farmers could not drill a well on their property. Lorenzo Luke wanted to know who determined that wells from the lower area of the valley could be moved to the upper or old area, which is south of the Midvalley road. Gerald Stoker contended it was up to the farmer to take action against wells being moved in to his area and if he wanted a well he should buy an existing permit and move it to his farm.

Lorin Jones said some water had been moved out of the old area. Ivan Matheson had a question, who is stealing whose water when the crops in the lower area dried up?

Dr. J. S. Prestwich explained there was a problem in the South Field. For 28 years or maybe 50, the people on the head of the ditch had used water in the day time while the fields on the lower part of the ditch had consumed it at night. Now the water last year was changed to night and day turnes. Donald Norseth and Gerald Stoker expressed the opinion that an irrigation company, an incorporation had control over the delivery of the company water.

- Thurman Higbee explained he had been granted a 600 gallon per minute well for so many months while some farms have 4 acre-feet. Someone explained the court made a decision on 4 acre-feet in 1957 to be sufficient water for one acre of land and priority and flow come in to make determinations.

The meeting adjourned and the following members were present.

<u>NAME</u>	<u>REPRESENTING</u>
Kenward H. McKinney	Asst. Area Engineer
Donald C. Norseth	Distribution Engineer
John Bene	Deputy State Engineer
Gerald W. Stoker	Area Engineer, Cedar City
Lorenzo F. Luke	Chairman & East Extension Ditch
George D. Grimshaw	California Pacific Utilities Co.
Loren A. Whetten	Cedar City Corporation
Lewis Webster	Cedar City Corp. & Bull Dog Field
Rulon S. Wood	Pres. South & West Field Irr. Co.
Moroni Perry	South & West Field Irr. Co.
Thelmer Stratton	Sec. Old Fort & Old Field Irr. Co.
Stanley R. Bryan	Old Fort & Old Field Irr. Co.
Max Heap	North Field Irr. Co.
Elmo Heap	North Field Irr. Co.
Jack F. Miller	North Field Irr. Co.
Ray Melling	North Field Irr. Co.
Neil Boyter	North Field Irr. Co.

NAME

Rue Gene Rollo
Jerry Bryant
Kenneth G. Jones
Cressel Sherratt
Henry L. Jones
Lehi M. Jones
Thurman Higbee
John Beal
Lorin C. Jones
Ivor D. Jones
John Pace
Dennis Lee Bauer
George & Vernie Roper
Grant Hunter
Grant Hunter
M. Palmer
George Vandenberghe
n Matheson
y B. Heaton
n Prestwich
Prestwich, M.D.
n Grant
d T. Harris
B. Adams

REPRESENTING

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Pres. Coal Creek Irr. Co.
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Kanarra Irrigation Co.
College of Southern Utah
Rush Lake Area
Commissioner

Thelmer Stratton
Secretary